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SUBJECT: CONFERENCE IN ICELAND

1. AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, ENTITLED "NEW STRATEGIC FACTORS IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC", WILL BE HELD IN REYKJAVIK DURING 24-26 OCTOBER, AT HOTEL LOFTLEIDIR.

2. TENTATIVE LIST OF PARTICIPANTS INCLUDES: MR. JOHAN JORGEN HOLST, CONFERENCE ORGANIZER
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JOSEPH ANNUNZIATA, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, US; CAPTAIN HARRY FISKI, USN, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL

OPERATIONS, US; COMMANDER HOWARD S. ELDREDGE, USN, OFFICE UNCLASSIFIED

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OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS, US.

3. SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED INCLUDE: THE STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENT OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC, NEW ELEMENTS IN THE NAVAL ENVIRONMENT, SOVIET NAVAL FORCES IN THE NORTH

ATLANTIC, THE FUTURE OF ANTI-SUBMARINE WARFARE, RESOURCE EXPLOITATION, THE LAW OF THE SEA AND SECURITY, THE

ARCTIC AND THE NORTH ATLANTIC: INTERACTIONS, PROSPECTS
FOR CONFLICT, CONFLICT CONTROL AND ARMS LIMITATION IN
THE NORTH ATLANTIC.

4. FOREIGN MINISTER AGUSTSSON WILL OPEN THE CONFERENCE.
ALL DISCUSSIONS WILL BE UNCLASSIFIED. ADDITIONAL LOCAL
OBSERVERS MAY BE INVITED TO ATTEND. PRESS CONFERENCE
WILL BE HELD ON CONCLUDING DAY.

5. FYI: US ROLE WILL BE LIMITED AND LOW PROFILE.
FINANCIAL COSTS OF THE CONFERENCE BEING SHARED BY THE
MAJOR PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS, HOWEVER DOD SPONSORED
CONTRACT WITH BDM, WHICH PROVIDED A SUBCONTRACT TO THE
NORWEGIAN INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS WAS
HELPFUL - ALLOWING HOLST TO ORGANIZE CONFERENCE. HOLST
WILL WORK WITH BDM IN PREPARING A REPORT OF THE
CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.
TRANSPORTATION OF US PARTICIPANTS BEING ARRANGED
SEPARATELY. ACCOMMODATIONS AT HOTEL LOFTLEIDUR BEING
ARRANGED BY NORWEGIAN AND UK CONFERENCE MANAGERS.
REQUEST YOU PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO CONFEREES IN A MANNER
CONSISTENT WITH DESIRABLE LOW-KEY US ROLE. KISSINGER

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